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the nomination of John A. McCone to be the new head of the Central Intelligence Agency. A hearing on the nomination is scheduled for January, 18.

Because I believe this post is one of the most important in our Government, concerned as it is with the information on which our policy decisions may be based, I have taken a great deal of interest in this nomination. The Senator from Minnesota, EUGENE McCARTHY, also been deeply interested in the qualifications and background of the nominee and plans to testify.

I Yeel that Senator McCartny is doing a most useful and necessary job in studying the circumstances surrounding this nomination and in bringing the facts into full consideration. It is one of the problems uniquely arising here that the qualifications and attitudes of the Director of Central Intelligence may be examined only the one time—at a hearing upon his qualifications—and the work his Agency does, is subjected thereafter to no regular congressional surveillance.

Tribute has been paid to the work which Senator McCarrny has done in an editorial which appeared on January 14 in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I offer this editorial for the RECORD as I believe it underlihes the importance of this hearing.

I would make one statement, how-ever, regarding a conclusion drawn in the editorial. It states that Mr. Mc-Cone should be questioned whether he believes he has a mandate to use force anywhere in the world, even in violation of U.S. treaty obligations. Congress has aiready entirusted authority to the rector of Central Intelligence to o out any assispments given him by National Security Council. He is cluded from taking any steps authorized by the President of the United States. Yet there remains experienced why Congress should are surveillance over the policies and ganization of the Agency it estably in 1947 and gap such tremendous I

The article follows:

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Objections. to Mr. McCope have been on his record. It is a question or these are disqualifying. Yet it could be a deraliction of congressional reinto. As Senator McCarrer has indicated, into. As Senator satisfact and interesting the investigation also should go into policies established by Mr. McCome for the CIA—aspecially whather he believes he has a mandate to use force anywhere in the world, even in violation of U.S. treaty obligations. In insisting on a review of Mr. McCone's qualifications, Senator McCarrey serves his country well.

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